



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

COVID-19 DAY OF REMEMBRANCE MARCH 5, 2021

WHEREAS, *More than 500,000 Americans, including more than 7,700 Marylanders, have lost their lives due to a virus that has spread throughout the world, creating a global pandemic and having catastrophic effects on human life, our community and our economy; and*

WHEREAS, *Each life lost to COVID-19 leaves behind loved ones and countless unfinished dreams, taking a devastating toll on our state and our nation, and we will never forget those whom we have lost; and*

WHEREAS, *As we continue working to eradicate this pandemic it is important to set aside a time to reflect on the devastation COVID-19 has caused globally, while leaving no community untouched; and*

WHEREAS, *Marylanders join in honoring the memory of those whose lives were lost due to COVID-19 and express our sympathy and support to those suffering from this worldwide pandemic.*

NOW, THEREFORE, I, LAWRENCE J. HOGAN, JR., GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim MARCH 5, 2021 as COVID-19 DAY OF REMEMBRANCE in Maryland, and do commend this solemn observance to all our citizens.



Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 5th day of March
Two Thousand and twenty-one

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor

Byrd H. Lathrop
Lt. Governor

John C. Womack
Secretary of State